

REMARKS

The Examiner has made a requirement for election of species between the following:

- 1) a handle that includes a transparent receptacle member housing a display pattern and all contained within a hollow transparent member containing oil; and
- 2) a handle that includes a hollow transparent member containing an oil with a display pattern suspended therein and permitted to move freely within the oil.

The requirement for election of species is respectfully traversed.

Because of the very close interrelationship between the various species of the present application, it is believed that all of the species are properly examinable as a single invention. However, in order to comply with the Examiner's requirements, the Applicant provisionally elects the species of paragraph 2) above, that is, a handle that includes a hollow transparent member containing an oil with a display pattern suspended therein and permitted to move freely within the oil.

It is believed that at least claim 5 is readable on the elected species.

In further response, the claims have been amended to eliminate the objections raised by the Examiner in paragraph 3 of the Office Action letter.

The Examiner has objected to the disclosure for the reasons set forth in paragraph 4 of the Office Action letter. However, since both elements 21b and 20b relate to "sealing projections" in the various species of the present application, the confusion raised by the Examiner is not understood.

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Accordingly, in view of the above amendments and remarks, an action on the merits of all the claims is respectfully requested.

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